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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Sacramento – Man Indicted on Charges of Plotting to Kill or Kidnap Biden, Harris, Fauci

(U) A federal grand jury in Iowa has indicted a Sacramento man on charges of attempting to kill or kidnap President Joe Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris, and White House medical adviser Dr. Anthony Fauci as part of a bizarre cross-country plot that his lawyer advised may stem from mental illness. The suspect, a resident of Sacramento, faces a five-count indictment that also charges him with making threats against Biden and Harris as well as former political figures. The suspect was arrested in December as he was driving from California to Washington DC. Court papers advise he had an AR-15, body armor, ammunition and magazines in his car and that he made comments about his desire to “combat evil demons in the White House” and his “disapproval for government due to the sex abuse of children.”

SOURCE: 27 January 2022, [MSN](#)

(U) Santa Ana – Authorities Seize More Than 5,000 Marijuana Plants from Illegal Drug Operation

(U) Authorities with the Santa Ana Police Department seized more than 5,000 marijuana plants from an illegal drug operation in Santa Ana. Law enforcement served a search warrant at a building and discovered an illegal large-scale commercial cannabis cultivation operation. Detectives located 11 grow rooms, two dry rooms, and seized over 5,000 plants. Code Enforcement Inspectors also red-tagged the building for several dangerous and illegal modifications. The case remains under investigation and no arrests have been made at this time.

SOURCE: 27 January 2022, [ABC 7](#)

(U) Scotts Valley – Suspects Involved in Shooting at CHP Officers Arrested

(U) Authorities with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) arrested two suspects accused of leading CHP officers on a chase and shooting at law enforcement. The incident started with CHP spotting a parked vehicle along the shoulder of the highway. Upon checking the vehicle, the suspect sped off and led CHP on a chase into Scotts Valley. CHP suspected the driver to be under the influence and the passenger allegedly fired shots at officers. The suspects evaded officers for a brief time but were located and arrested after a five-hour search with multiple agencies involved. Officer also located the weapon used in the incident and both suspects face multiple charges.

SOURCE: 27 January 2022, [KSBW](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) California – CBP Officers Catch Fugitive Wanted for Attempted Murder

(U) San Diego – US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers at the Otay Mesa border entry caught a fugitive accused in May 2021 of attempted murder in San Diego. The suspect presented himself as a US Citizen and gave his name but did not have any documents with him as he arrived on foot at the border crossing to apply for entry into the US. Authorities ran his name through the database and received an alert for a warrant for attempted murder, assault with a deadly weapon, robbery, discharging a firearm

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at an inhabited dwelling and false imprisonment, all issued by the California Highway Patrol. CBP officers turned the suspect over to the US Marshals service and he was booked in the San Diego County Jail.

SOURCE: 27 January 2022, [US CBP](#)

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(U) District of Columbia – One Dead, Five Injured in Shooting at DC Days Inn

(U) Washington – Authorities in Washington DC advise that a woman was killed, and four other people wounded in a shooting at the Days Inn by Wyndham. DC Metro Police responded to a report of a shooting at the hotel and discovered four people with gunshot wounds. A fifth victim was found a short time later. Authorities advised the shooting occurred during a party at the hotel. There have been 11 homicides to date in the district this year. An investigation into the shooting is ongoing.

SOURCE: 27 January 2022, [WTOP News](#)

(U) Texas – Three Houston Police Officers Injured in Shooting, Suspect in Custody After Standoff

(U) Houston – Authorities advise that three Houston police officers were shot by a suspect who fled, carjacked a vehicle, and barricaded himself in a home for several hours before being taken into custody. Houston Police advised the officers are all in stable condition with non-life-threatening injuries. They are being treated at a nearby hospital. The incident began as a domestic violence call, where the suspect fled the scene. After a brief chase, the suspect crashed the car and opened fire on the officers with an automatic weapon wounding the three officers. After that incident, the suspect entered a house and barricaded himself before ultimately surrendering to law enforcement. An investigation is ongoing.

SOURCE: 27 January 2022, [ABC News](#)

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(U) Bahamas – US Coast Guard Intercepts Sail Freighter Overloaded with 191 Haitians

(U) Great Inagua – The US Coast Guard intercepted a sail freighter with 191 Haitians of the Bahamas. Authorities believed the freighter was attempting to get to Florida. The incident occurred in waters called the “hub of human smuggling operations between the Caribbean and Florida” and came as the search continued for 38 people missing off Florida, days after what US authorities believe was a human smuggling boat capsized in a storm. The freighter was detected about 40 miles southwest of Great Inagua, Bahama, some 540 miles southeast of Florida. The Coast Guard crew provided life jackets and brought the Haitians aboard the US vessel. Coast Guard crews have intercepted more than 800 Haitians since October.

SOURCE: 27 January 2022, [CBS News](#)

(U) Kyrgyzstan – Guards Clash Again on Kyrgyz-Tajik Border, Ceasefire Falters

(U) Bishkek – Kyrgyz and Tajik border guards exchanged gunfire amid a standoff over a blocked road, in the latest clash between the former Soviet neighbors following a similar violent incident last year that killed dozens. The border between the two countries, both of which host Russian military bases and are closely allied with Moscow, is poorly demarcated. The Secretary General of Russia-led Collective Security Treaty Organization called for an immediate ceasefire at the border. Authorities advised that the two sides agreed a ceasefire around midnight but fighting resumed 10-minutes later. At least 49 people were killed in fighting between the two predominately Muslim nations last April which escalated from a similar border clash.

SOURCE: 27 January 2022, [Reuters](#)

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(U) Jordan – Authorities Advise 27 Drug Smugglers Killed at Jordan-Syria Border

(U) Amman – Jordanian soldiers killed 27-armed drug smugglers as they tried to enter the country from Syria. Authorities advise that the smugglers were “backed up by armed groups” who managed to flee back into Syrian territory. Large quantities of narcotics were seized from the crime scene. The exact nature of the quantities has not been made clear as an investigation is ongoing. Jordanian authorities advise more drugs are flooding in from Syria in recent years, and United Nations officials have warned of a growing number of security incidents related to Syrian drug smuggling. Authorities advise the amount of drugs seized in 2021 was double that in 2020, with January on track to set a monthly record for drug busts.

SOURCE: 27 January 2022, [CNN](#)

(U) Morocco – Authorities Arrest Two ISIS-Affiliated Suspects in Operation

(U) Rabat – Morocco’s Central Bureau of Judicial Investigation (BCIJ) arrested two suspects for their alleged affiliation to an Islamist State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) terrorist cell. The two suspects had pledged loyalty to the alleged emir of ISIS and started sharing extremist content to recruit more people for terror related activities. During the investigation, BCIJ seized mobile phones, a collection of publications with extremist content, and masks the suspects were planning to use to conceal their identities when attacking their targets. The arrest of the two suspects comes as part of Morocco’s proactive approach against terrorism. Recent data from BCIJ notes the country has dismantled 2,009 terror cells since 2002, with more than 3,000 arrests.

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